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CONTROL METHOD OF	:	
COMMUNICATION APPARATUS,)	
AND CONTROL PROGRAM OF	:	
COMMUNICATION APPARATUS)	August 9, 2006

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the non-U.S. patent documents is enclosed.

- (1) Japan 2002-305606
- (2) Japan 2002-101198
- (3) U.S. Publication No. 2002/0095516

(4) B. Turner, "SIP: New Tide of IP Signaling/Protocol", Computer & Network LAN, July 2002, Vol. 20, No. 7, pp. 50-52.

The documents Japan 2002/305606 and the article to Turner were cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to the above-identified application, namely Japan 2002-310389. A copy of a Japanese Office Action dated February 21, 2006, together with its partial English language translation, is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a copy of a Japanese Office Action dated October 4, 2005, together with its partial English language translation, also issued during prosecution of Japan 2002-310389. It is noted that the Office Action cites Japan 2001-160866 and Japan 2001-16328. However, those references, as well as EP 1 059 796, which is an English language counterpart of Japan 2001-16328, were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement dated November 29, 2005 and therefore, they are not being cited again herein.

Additionally, the document Japan 2002-101198 was cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to co-pending application No. 10/559,612, namely Japan 2003-165861. A copy of a Japanese Office Action dated December 13, 2005 for that application, together with its partial English language translation, is enclosed. It is also noted that the Office Action cites Japan 2001-160866. However, that reference was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement dated November 29, 2005 and therefore, it is not being cited again herein.

English-language abstracts for the documents (1) and (2) and a partial English language translation of the document (4) have been located and are enclosed for the Examiner's consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents is believed to be satisfied by the English language abstracts and English translation. Additionally, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0095516 is believed to be

an English language counterpart of Japan 2002-101198 and is being submitted to comply with the concise explanation of relevance. See MPEP § 609.

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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